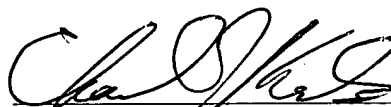


REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-279-5098.

Respectfully submitted,

October 11, 2005
Date

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles J. Kulas', written over a horizontal line.

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